MINUTES

HOUSE JUDICIARY, RULES & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

DATE:	Monday, March 03, 2025
TIME:	1:30 P.M. or Upon Adjournment
PLACE:	Room EW42
MEMBERS:	Chairman Skaug, Vice Chairman Alfieri, Representatives Scott, Ehardt, Erickson, Garner, Handy, Hawkins, Hill, Hostetler, Pohanka, Shirts, Gannon, Mathias, Rubel
ABSENT/ EXCUSED:	Mathias
GUESTS:	The sign-in sheet will be retained in the committee secretary's office; following the end of session the sign-in sheet will be filed with the minutes in the Legislative Library.

Chairman Skaug called the meeting to order at 1:31pm.

MOTION: **Rep. Hostetler** made a motion to approve the February 27, 2025 meeting minutes. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

Bryan Murray, Senior Magistrate Judge, introduced the Magistrate Judges.

Regan Jameson, Magistrate Judge, Fourth Judicial District, presented information regarding "on-call" duties of magistrate judges.

Committee inquired regarding in-person and electronic warrant requests.

Neal Randall, Magistrate Judge, Seventh Judicial District, presented information regarding the unique challenges of calendaring and travel for magistrate judges.

Committee inquired regarding number of days worked at home.

Karin Seubert, Magistrate Judge, Second Judicial District, presented information regarding the impacts of unmanaged mental health on magistrate division dockets.

H 281: **Rep. Hill** presented **H 281** regarding crimes against peace officers.

Robert Gillis, Idaho Tough On Crime, **Tracy Basterrechea**, Idaho Chiefs of Police/ Meridian Police Department, **Benjie Wells, Mike Miraglia**, Idaho Fraternal Order of Police, **Sheriff Matt Clifford**, The Idaho Sheriffs Association, and **Ron Winegar,** testified **in support.**

Michael Law, Garth Gaylord, Truth, Justice, Liberty, Life, and **David Pettinger,** testified **in opposition.**

Committee inquired regarding sentencing thresholds in California, comparison between military member deaths and police officer deaths, partiality toward death of some but not others, number of police officers murdered in Idaho in recent years, preventive impact legislation could have made on past officer deaths, classes of protection, deterrence, and clarification of intent language.

Do to time constraints, **H 281** will be carried over to the meeting of March 5, 2025 at 1:30pm.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 2:51pm.

Representative Skaug	Nancy Conrad
Chair	Secretary